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NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).						
The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.1		mpliant Amendment (PTO	L-324).			
<ul> <li>Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s)</li> <li>Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be all</li> </ul>		timely filed emandment oc	neeling the			
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7.  For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pro The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed:		ll be entered and an explai	nation of			
Claim(s) objected to:						
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The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome <u>all</u> rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).						
IO. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER						
<ol> <li>The request for reconsideration has been considered by <u>See attached.</u></li> </ol>	it does NOT place the application ii	n condition for allowance b	ecause:			
2. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s).	(PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper N	lo(s).				
13. ☐ Other: 06/17/04 1/26/05 6/16						
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments filed 5 December 2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

- 2. Applicant argues that the date recorded on the Bingomania page used as a reference does not represent the date of publication. Rather, it represents the date at which the "Wayback Machine" archived the page. Clearly, if the Wayback Machine archived the reference on a particular date, then the reference was published on or before that date. Though Mr. Peabody's famous Wayback Machine allowed time travel in order to change the past, the Internet Archive's Wayback Machine can only record references found on the Internet at a particular date. If the Wayback Machine lists a reference website on a particular date, then it is assumed to have existed on that date. The Wayback Machine is the equivalent of a newspaper archive in that respect. If Applicant has evidence that the Internet Archive people are fraudulently changing their Internet archives to reflect the existence of the Bingomania website at a date prior to its actual publication, Examiner will certainly consider that evidence. Otherwise, Examiner will accept the date on the archive as evidence that the website was in existence on or before that date.
- 3. In response to applicant's arguments against the references individually, one cannot show nonobviousness by attacking references individually where the rejections are based on combinations of references. See *In re Keller*, 642 F.2d 413, 208 USPQ 871 (CCPA 1981); *In re Merck & Co.*, 800 F.2d 1091, 231 USPQ 375 (Fed. Cir. 1986).

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## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Corbett B. Coburn whose telephone number is (571) 272-4447. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5:30, Monday-Friday, alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cheryl J. Tyler can be reached on (571) 272-4834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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